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STD/ISD CONNECTIONS IN UTTAR PRADESH
RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the norms laid down for providing STD/ISD connections;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for quick disposal of applications seeking STD/ISD facility;

(c) the number of applications pending for setting up PCOs in Uttar Pradesh with STD/ISD facilities; and

(d) the time by which these application are likely to be cleared?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) Sir, according to the present policy of BSNL,STD/ISD PCOsare allotted to all the eligible applicants on first come first served basis as per their registration.

(b) STD/ISD PCOs are to be allotted on day to day basisin areas where there is no waiting list. In the areas where there is a waiting list, priority efforts are made for expansion of the exchange capacity and augmentation of external plant to clear the waiting list.

(c) 2249.

(d) The pending applications are to be cleared by September 2002 progressively as and when the areas become technically feasible and the applicants fulfil other conditions.